

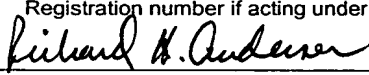
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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005</b> (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) 30572/40755	
Application Number 10/021,684		Filed	
For METHOD FOR THE TREATMENT OF METALLIC MATERIALS			
Art Unit 1742		Examiner S. Ip	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.			
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
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I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).			
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Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34		26,526	
 Signature		March 21, 2005 Date	
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